(c) to (e) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(£) Except the Indira Gandhi National Open University, all other Open Universities are under the control of different State Governments and they adopt the policies regarding the languages in which instructions are offered having regard to the local needs and circumstances.

Number of children in the country

6609. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCEDEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total number of Children in the country under the age group of 6—10, 10—13 and 13—16 State-wise;

(b) what is the total number of children attending schools underi above age group; and

(c) what steps Government propose to take for 100 per cent entrolment *eft* children in the above age group?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE (KM. SELJA): (a) Tl^ State-wise details of the estimated number of children in the age group 6—11, 11—14 and 14—17 years are given in the statement (See below).

(b) According to the latest data available for the year 1993-94, the enrolment at primary, middle and Secondary/Senior Secondary stage was 108.2 million, 39.9 million, 29.9 mil lion respectively.

(c) After the introduction of Na-ional Policy of Educaiion, 1986 both States and Central Government have initiated a whole range of program mes with microplanning as an impor tant strategy. Total Literacy Camp aigns have been creating parental awareness for sending girl children to school. The 73rd and 74tE constitu tional amendments, which envisage develution of primary education to local bodies are expected to crate the institutional~etivironment for promo ting enrolment and reducing dropouts. Central Government has been provi ding assistance to states to improve quality of education through the sc hemes of operation blackboard and teacher education. The District Pri mary Education Programme (DPEP) envisage a focussed approach in low 'female literacy districts.

Statement

Estimated population in the age group of 6— 11, 11—14 & 14—17 *years*

(in Hundreds)

S.No.	State/Union Territory	Estimated population*		
	Years	6- 11	11— 14	14 - 17
1	2	3	4	5
1	Andhra Pradesh	78462	43260	56048
2	Arunachal Pradesh	1126	617	722
3	Assam	28861	16289	21346

1	2	3	4	5
4	Bihar	116936	63870	76782
5	Goa	1358	808	1069
6	Gujarat	50203	28653	34561
7	Haryana	22203	12168	13298
8	Himachal Pradesh	5979	3518	4456
9	Jammu & Kashmir	8999	5123	6507
10	Karnataka	51030	29789	39459
11	Kerala	29489	17804	22974
12	Madhya Pradesh	86475	47871	57489
13	Maharashtra	91704	52039	66164
14	Manipur	2458	1343	1515
15	Meghalaya	2348	1353	1578
16	Mizoram	853	528	704
17	Nagaland	1486	891	1081
18	Orissa	39685	22072	27668
19	Punjab	22797	13420	16534
20	Rajasthan	59952	33447	36580
21	Sikkim	639	348	426
22	Tamil Nadu	55289	34950	44241
23	Tripura	3869	1705	2176
24	Uttar Pradesh	178949	100481	126813
25	West Bengal	81647	49046	58661
26	A & N Islands	475	240	262
27	Chandigarh	914	522	677
28	Daman & Nagar Haveli	170	100	124
29	Daman & Diu	—	—	—
30	Delhi	11023	6569	8436
31	Lakshadweep	62	33	40
32	Pondicherry	754	460	618
	INDIA :	103587	589217	728979

*1. Estimated population in the age group 6– 11 & 11– 14 Years relates to 1993-94.

*2. Estimated population in the age group 14– 17 years relates to year 1991-92.

SOURCE : Information compiled by Statistics Division of the Ministry of Human Resource Development.